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- 1) Letter of Transmittal (1 page)
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- 5) International Search Report for EP 06116580.

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For: Welded Microseam

) Group Art Unit: 1772

) Examiner: O Hern, Brent

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 page);
2. Information Disclosure Citation (1 page);
3. References (6); and
4. International Search Report for EP 06116580.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL OTHER FEES DUE UNDER SECTION 1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.

Respectfully submitted,



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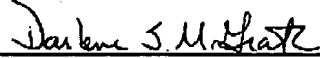
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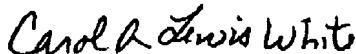
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In addition to the references previously cited, applicants have just become aware of the enclosed references which are believed to relate to the present application. A copy of the foreign references and a copy of the International Search Report are enclosed along with Form PTO-1449.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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